

1841 was 185. In year 1892 there were upwards of 1,000. The amount of money contributed to Foreign Missions in 1872 was \$93,610. In 1888 the amount was \$299,431.

A LARGE congregation assembled in Molesworth Presbyterian church on the evening of Wednesday, the 21th October, to witness the designation of Miss Kate Campbell as a missionary to India. Rev. Dr. McDonald, of Seaford, a member of the Foreign Mission Committee, presided. Rev. D. B. McLae, of Cranbrook, preached an excellent sermon on the importance and necessity of consecration to the Lord. A collection for missions having been taken up, Dr. McDonald narrated the steps leading to Miss Campbell's appointment, and spoke of the main qualifications which the committee desired in all their agents in the mission field, and referred in particular to the importance of (1). A good constitution. (2). Experience in teaching. (3). Acknowledged piety, and (4). Common sense. While he dwelt upon these points, Dr. McDonald had a sympathetic audience, for all his hearers could testify that Miss Campbell possessed, in an eminent degree, all these characteristics. Dr. McDonald asked Rev. A. Stevenson to engage in prayer. Rev. G. Hallantyne then suitably addressed Miss Campbell, giving her counsel and encouragement. Mrs. Ross, of Brussels, on behalf of the Women's Foreign Mission Society of Maitland Presbytery, read an address to Miss Campbell and presented to her a copy of the Bible. Dr. McDonald addressed the congregation, giving a brief account of the work of the Church, especially in India. Miss Campbell belongs to a talented and pious family connected with Molesworth congregation. She was a long time teacher of the infant class in the Sabbath school, and was a most active member of the Y.P.S.C.E., and also in the Young People's Mission Band and the Women's Foreign Mission Society. At an early age she began to teach, and soon her merits as a teacher became so well known that she did not require to apply for a salary, but was an object of strife among trustees, and could therefore command, and received, a salary far above the average of female teachers. She carries with her to her distant sphere the loving sympathy and earnest prayers of many former pupils and friends.

### Presbytery of Maitland.

THIS Presbytery met at Wingham on the 23rd ult. to deal with a call to Rev. R. S. G. Anderson, M.A., B.D., minister of St. Helen's and East Ashfield, from the congregation of Wroxteter. Rev. J. Malcolm, moderator. All parties concerned were cited to appear for their interests. The call was presented by Rev. John Ross, B.A., and was sustained as a regular Gospel call. Reason for the translation of Mr. Anderson from his present charge to that of Wroxteter, presented by the congregation of Wroxteter were read, and also replies to these reasons by the congregations of St. Helen's and East Ashfield. There were also petitions from East Ashfield and St. Helen's asking that the translation be not granted. A large deputation from Wroxteter congregation was heard in support of the call, and a still larger deputation from St. Helen's and East Ashfield opposing the translation of Mr. Anderson were with much interest heard. The pleadings for and against the translation were conducted in a courteous and friendly spirit and yet with much warmth and enthusiasm. The call was placed in Mr. Anderson's hands, who with much feeling spoke of the happy and harmonious relations that had always existed between himself and his people and his warm attachment to them. At the same time for personal reasons it seemed to him that the path of duty pointed to Wroxteter as his future field of labor, but would leave it with the Presbytery to decide whether he should be translated from his present charge to that of Wroxteter. Members of Presbytery having expressed their minds on the question, it was moved and carried that this Presbytery, after hearing and giving due consideration to the reasons so ably set forth by the parties concerned, hereby agree to translate Rev. R. S. G. Anderson, M.A.,

B.D., from the pastoral charge of St. Helen's and East Ashfield to Wroxteter. It was agreed that the induction of Mr. Anderson into the pastoral charge of Wroxteter congregation take place on Thursday, Nov. 15th, at 2 o'clock p.m. That Rev. Andrew MacNabb preach on the occasion. Rev. A. McKay to deliver the charge to the minister, and Rev. John Ross, B.A., address the congregation. Rev. F. A. MacLennan was appointed interim moderator of the sessions of St. Helen's and East Ashfield and instructed to declare the pastoral charge of St. Helen's and East Ashfield vacant on Sabbath, Nov. 18th. — JOHN MACNABB, Clerk.

### Presbytery of Halifax.

THE Presbytery of Halifax met in Chalmers' hall, Halifax, Dr. Currie, moderator *pro tem*, and sustained a very unanimous and cordial call from the congregation of St. John's church, Windsor, to the Rev. Henry Dickie. The call was at once placed in Mr. Dickie's hands and he intimated his cordial acceptance of it. The Presbytery will meet in St. John's church, Windsor, Nov. 5th, at 7.30 p.m., for his induction; the moderator to preside and induct, Mr. Gandier to preach, Mr. Stewart to address the minister, and Mr. Fowler to address the congregation. The Presbytery also, as instructed by the Synod of the Maritime Provinces, released Rev. D. M. Gordon of the charge of St. Andrew's church, Halifax — the same to take effect November 1st — appointed Mr. J. W. Falconer to declare the congregation vacant Nov. 4th, and arranged as follows for Mr. Gordon's induction as Professor of Systematic Theology and Apologetics in the Presbyterian College, Halifax: Chalmers' church, Nov. 7th, at 7.50 p.m., Principal Pollok to preside and induct, and Mr. Morrison, moderator of Synod, to give the charge to the newly inducted professor. The next regular meeting is appointed to be held in Chalmers' Hall, Halifax, Tuesday, Nov. 6th, at 10 a.m. — ALLAN SIMPSON, Clerk.

### Presbytery of Truro.

THE Presbytery of Truro met at the Church Valley Station for the induction of the Rev. A. H. McLeod, late of St. Peter's, C.B.K. Although not large the congregation was fairly representative of the different sections of the pastoral charge. An interesting and appropriate sermon was delivered by the Rev. C. Mackinnon from Isaiah liii. 10. Mr. McLeod was inducted by the clerk of Presbytery. The Rev. H. K. Maclean gave the address to the newly inducted minister, and W. McNicol to the people. The congregation welcomed their minister in the usual way as they left the church. Mr. McLeod brings a matured mind and experience in pastoral work to his new sphere of labor, and the prayer of the Presbytery is that he may be abundantly blessed in the work to which he has been called. The Rev. H. K. Maclean stated that after careful consideration he felt it his duty to accept the call to Parrabona. The Presbytery, while expressing very great sympathy with the congregation of Acadia in the loss of their minister, agreed to acquiesce in Mr. Maclean's decision and accordingly translate him the date of his induction at Parrabona being appointed for Tuesday, Oct. 5th, at seven o'clock in the evening. The Rev. James Maclean was appointed to preach at Acadia Mines on the first Sabbath of November and declare the pastoral charge vacant. The regular bi-monthly meeting of this Presbytery will be held at Truro on Tuesday, Nov. 2th, and sessions are instructed to present their records for examination at that meeting. — J. H. CHASE, Clerk.

### Young People's Presbyterian Union.

ALTHOUGH the weather last Tuesday evening was far from pleasant, there was a good attendance at the semi-annual business meeting of the Young People's Presbyterian Union of Toronto, which was held in Chalmers' church, with the president, Rev. W.

G. Wallace, in the chair, and those present had a very enjoyable evening. In opening, devotional exercises were conducted by the pastor of the church, Rev. J. Mutch. Before proceeding with business the meeting listened to a very entertaining and instructive address from Mr. Herbert Ben-Oliel, of Jerusalem, on "The present condition of the Jews in Palestine." Mr. Ben-Oliel recounted many of the difficulties which the missionary among the Jews has to contend with, particularly the prejudice caused by the persecution their race has received at the hands of so-called Christian peoples; and also the fact that by their early religious training the Jews are specially prepared controversialists, and delight in meeting the arguments of the Christians. After roll call, during which short accounts were given by representatives of the different societies present of the work being undertaken by each, an open parliament was held on the question of the future line of action to be pursued. This was introduced in a very neat speech by Mr. G. T. Ferguson, president of the Christian Endeavor Union of Ontario, and was taken part in by Messrs. R. Donald, Jr., J. Arbutnot, Rev. J. Mutch, Rev. J. G. Potter and Mr. Martin, all of whom made suggestions which were finally, on motion, referred to the Executive Committee for consideration. The treasurer having resigned owing to absence from the city, Miss Traill of St. John's Y.P.S.C.E. was elected to the position. During the evening musical selections were given in a very acceptable manner by the choir of the church. The semi-annual missionary meeting will be held in College street church early in December, and will be addressed by able speakers.

### Memorial Service.

A MEMORIAL service in connection with the death of Mrs. Robt. Gilray, of "Braeburn Place," Epping, was held in Temple Hill church, Ephraïa, on the evening of Sabbath, 21st ult. Together with the relatives of the deceased, a large number of her neighbours and acquaintances attended, so that the spacious edifice was filled.

The service opened by singing the 100th Psalm; the lessons were the 50th Psalm and the 11th chapter of Hebrews; and the closing song was the 53rd paraphrase. The discourse, preached by the Rev. J. F. McLaren, B.D., pastor of the church, was founded upon "The death of Sarah," the text being the 1st, 2nd and 12th verses of the 23rd chapter of Genesis.

By way of introduction the preacher directed attention to the aim of memorial services such as the present. It was not to eulogize the dead, for all flattery, especially in the presence of death, was sinful, nor was it to determine the future bliss or woe of the departed, God alone being the judge of all mankind; but rather to help the living with whatever is instructive, encouraging and comforting in the lives of those who have gone to give an account. A very appropriate parallel was drawn between the death of Sarah and Mrs. Gilray as to age, country, home and religion. Both attained to a good old age, their life work having been completed and, like golden grain, ripe for the great sickle. Mrs. Gilray had long since passed the allotted three score years and ten, being almost 79 years of age at the time of her death. Whether from climate, or indirect dress and diet, such length of days was gradually becoming very rare. But long as it seemed to look ahead it appeared exceedingly brief when one looked back at the past — hence the foolishness of delaying salvation, and the wisdom of making sure now. Like Sarah, Mrs. Gilray had been an emigrant, she having been born and brought up in Blair Athol, in the valley of the Tay, Scotland, a place not unlike the Cuckoo valley, beside which she spent the greater part of her life in Canada. Coming to this country with her husband nearly fifty years ago, her life was contemporary with the growth of this Province. At the time of her death she was one of the few remaining pioneers of the township, having made her home in Ephraïa for the last thirty-five years of her life. Her experience, like that of Abraham's wife,